

**Special Courts Committee
Judicial Conference of Indiana**

August 11, 2006
Minutes

1. Members present. The following members of the committee were present Kenneth Abbott, Patrick Blankenship, Glenn Hancock, Fred Hoying, Richard L. Tandy, and Peggy L. Quint Lohorn, Chair.
2. Staff present. Michelle C. Goodman provided the committee with staff assistance.
3. Guests. Judge John Kellam, Senior Judge; Judge Thomas Clem, Madison Co.; Judge Ted Sosin, Marion Co.; and Lilia Judson, Executive Director, State Court Administration.
4. Approval of Minutes. The Committee approved the minutes as amended from the July 6, 2006 meeting.
5. Court structure discussion. The Committee continued its discussion of the Indiana's court structure. Staff provided a written memorandum outlining the recommendation, a working document outlining the major points of the proposal, and next steps for review at the next meeting for the Committee's consideration. The Committee discussed the content of the documents at length and made several amendments. The Committee approved the letter with the working document be submitted to the Chief Justice and requested time for a presentation at the Board of Directors meeting. Judge Lohorn will be making the presentation to the Board of Directors on behalf of the Committee.
6. Next meeting. The next meeting will be Friday, Nov. 3, 2006 at 11 a.m. (Indianapolis time) at the Judicial Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle C. Goodman